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PASS: EDMINSTER AND QUENTIN JONES, ARS, USDA, BELTSVILLE

E.O. 11652: N/A

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SUBJECT: REQUEST FROM DIRECTOR UN LABORATORY FOR SERVICES
QUENTIN JONES

1. BRAENDEN, DIRECTOR OF UN NARCOTICS LABORATORY, ADVISES THAT HE SENT LETTER DATED MARCH 4 TO EDMINSTER REQUESTING QUENTIN JONES ACCOMPANY BRAENDEN ON MISSION TO AUSTRALIA IN CONNECTION UN'S CODEINE RESEARCH PROJECT, TRAVEL TO BEGIN MID-MARCH. DESPATCH OF LETTER DELAYED BECAUSE OF GS STRIKE UN HEAD-QUARTERS GENEVA.

2. TEXT OF LETTER ADDRESSED TO EDMINSTER IS AS FOLLOWS:

QUOTE: UN NARCOTICS LABORATORY HAS BEEN REQUESTED ASSESS RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN AUSTRALIA INVOLVING EXPANSION OF OPIUM POPPY STRAW PRODUCTION AND PROCESSING. DECISIONS TAKEN, OR TO BE TAKEN, BY AUSTRALIANS COULD HAVE PRONOUNCED EFFECT ON WORLD'S SUPPLY OF STRAW MATERIALS FOR CODEINE AND ON SUPPLIES, ELSEWHERE, OF ILLICIT OPIATES.

QUOTE: I WOULD VERY MUCH APPRECIATE IF DR. QUENTIN JONES COULD ASSIST ME ON THIS MISSION. AS IN PAST, WE WOULD COMPLEMENT EACH OTHER VERY WELL. HE HAD HAD GREAT DEAL OF EXPERIENCE WITH POPPY PRODUCTION AND HARVESTING WHILE I AM FAMILIAR WITH PROCESSING OF
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PRODUCTS.

QUOTE: IF YOU AGREE, UN WILL PAY DR. JONES' TRAVEL
AND PER DIEM COSTS. WE WOULD BEGIN TRAVEL ON OR ABOUT
MARCH 15 AND RETURN ON OR ABOUT MARCH 31. END QUOTE.

3. BRAENDEN WOULD PLAN RENDEZVOUS IN WASH WITH JONES,
ARRIVING MARCH 10 OR 11. WE WILL REPORT BRAENDEN'S EXACT
PLANS WHEN AVAILABLE. DALE

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